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SUBJECT: Family Readiness Group and Unit Fundraising (CG/CofS Policy Statement #0-18)

1. References:

- a. Joint Ethics Regulation (JER), DoD 5500.7-R, 30 Aug 93.
- b. Army Regulation 600-20, Army Command Policy, 13 May 02.
- c. ALARACT Message, Subject: Family Readiness Group Fundraising, 12 Oct 05.
- d. Army Commander's Guide to Family Readiness Group (FRG) Operations, 3 Oct 05.
- 2. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all Commanders and leaders understand and adhere to the parameters pertaining to fundraising activities by either FRGs or units. The only ability of FRGs or units to fundraise is within the context of a properly authorized "informal fund" established pursuant to AR 600-20, paragraph 4-21.
- 3. FRGs and units are extremely limited in their ability to conduct fundraising activities in support of their informal funds. Fundraising activities are limited to on-post only and subject to Garrison Commander approval. Fundraising and soliciting of donations off-post is strictly prohibited. Truly unsolicited (i.e., neither directly nor indirectly solicited) offers of gifts or donations should be referred to Army Community Service (ACS) for possible acceptance by ACS into a supplemental Non-Appropriated Fund (NAF) account; such offers may not be accepted by a FRG or unit informal fund. Further, FRGs and units in support of their informal funds may only conduct fundraising activities for a specific goal, event or activity; no general fundraising to build up an informal fund's bank account is authorized. An informal fund's average yearly balance may not exceed \$5,000 dollars. Informal fund monies may not be used to pay for or augment paying for items or events authorized to be paid for with appropriated funds, even if appropriated funds are not available to pay for the item or event.

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